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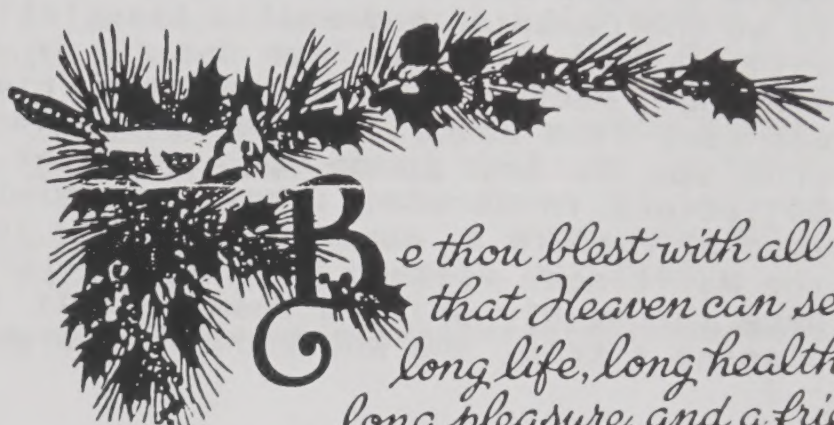
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This being the last issue of Timber Talk before Christmas, it would seem the appropriate time to extend the season's greetings to all our members. The message at right comes from the editor's desk and was taken from a card I once received. If we could have those four gifts, we'd have it all.



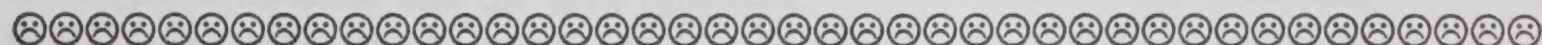
*Be thou blest with all
that Heaven can send,
long life, long health,
long pleasure, and a friend.*

It's renewal time again. For those of you who have not already renewed, please do so promptly. We need your support. A form is enclosed in this issue for your convenience.

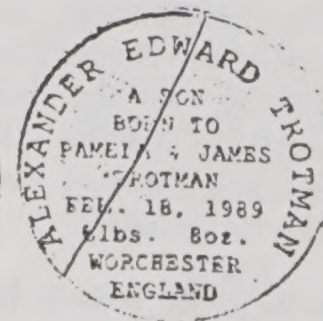
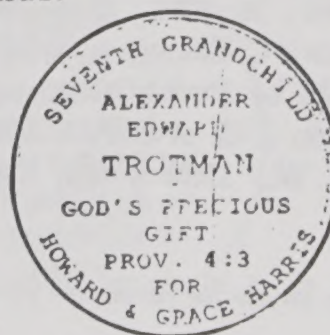
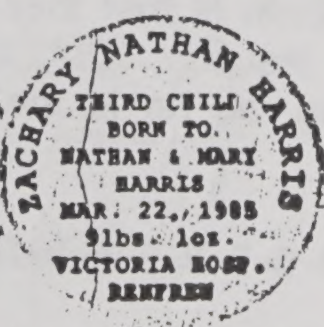
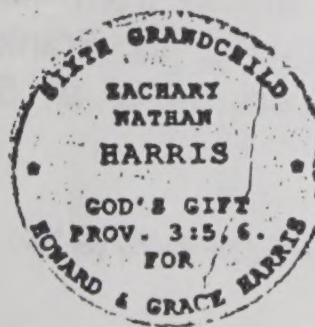
GOOD NEWS!

The hobby got some free publicity! Al Munro and Garry Braunwarth were recently interviewed by a CBC program in Calgary. Garry tells us about it on page 3.

We're scraping the barrel for free woods now. Unless we get some fresh donations, we'll be distributing the remnants of previous lots. Such is the case for this month's free wood.



Howard Harris, 6282 - 2 Emerald Links Drive, Greely, Ont. K0A 1Z0 has recently issued two new woods. Shown below, they are available for 25 cents each plus an S.A.S.E. Howard writes that his eyesight is not the best so his wife Grace reads his mail to him. He also sends greetings to all his wood collector friends.



MY WOOD TIDBIT.....By NORM BELSTEN

Fall is here, time to plan our spring and summer meetings. The Southern Ontario Chapter of C.A.W.M.C. will be having a meeting at the April 94 Ontario Numismatic Association Convention being hosted by the North York Coin Club. It's being held at the Howard Johnson Plaza Hotel, formerly the Triumph Hotel, located in North York at Keele St. and the 401 hwy. The Annual C.A.W.M.C. Breakfast Meeting is at the Canadian Numismatic Association Convention. This year it will take place in Hamilton Ontario in July. Both of these features Meetings, Auctions, Draws, and the Friendly Participants, who hand out many free woods. If you have never attended a Meeting then I urge you to try to do so, and meet the friendly Wooden Money Collectors in person. I have attended EVERY S.O.C. Meeting, and most of the C.N.A. Conventions since 1980. Travelling from B.C. to the Maritimes, meeting numerous collectors at the conventions and have thoroughly enjoyed them all. It is never too early to start planing a trip, and who knows you might even meet me there.

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DUES: Membership dues in the Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors is \$10.00 per calendar year and should be forwarded to our Membership Chairman - Ron Zelk at R.P.O. Box 77575, 592 Sheppard Ave. W., Downsview, Ont. Canada, M3H 6A7.

FREE WOOD OF THE MONTH

This month's free wood is not being pictured because the one you receive will be one of six varieties chosen for distribution. Although your editor has a great many woods in stock that are destined for Timber Talk, none are in sufficient quantities to give the entire membership the same wood. I am holding over 40 lots of leftover woods in quantities from 5 to 95. Most have already been given out with previous issues of the newsletter.

The one common factor of whatever free wood you might receive this month is that they are all from the same issuer. Our thanks to Frank Harding, as he is the source of all 6 types.

FREE PUBLICITY FOR OUR HOBBY by Garry Braunwarth

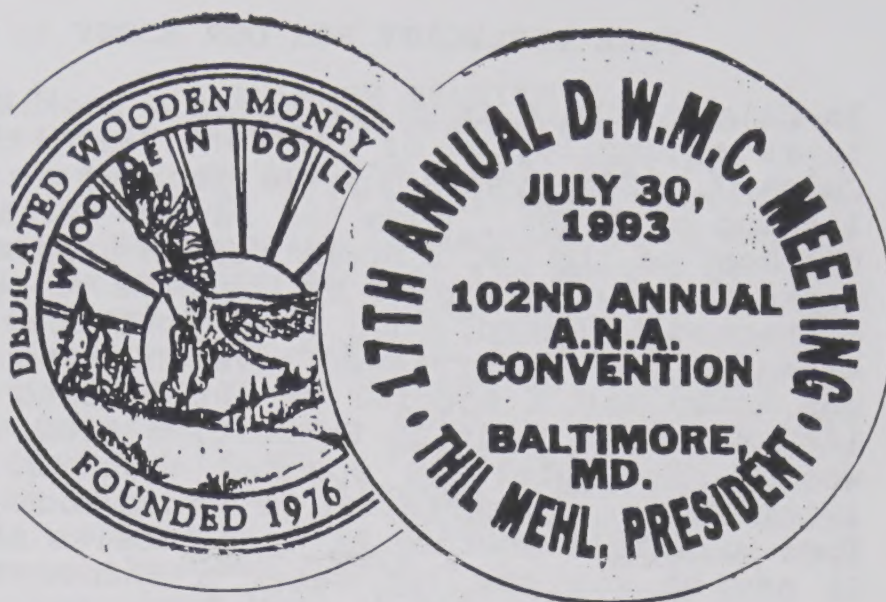
In Calgary there is distributed a booklet called Horizon Network. It is a compilation of the many, many clubs and organizations in Calgary. Some years ago we decided to list CAWMC in their free listing of clubs. When the latest edition came out, Jeff Collins the host of the CBC's Homestretch program which airs from 4 - 6 PM weekdays, was intrigued by the name of our organization. He first contacted Al Munro, then I was contacted. The end result was that Al and I were interviewed live on September 28th. We spoke about our hobby and a special or interesting wood. Al told about the 1880 Montreal Dominion Exhibition wood, and I on the 1938 Prescott wood. The interview spanned about 10 minutes and proved very interesting. It certainly provided much publicity about our hobby. Time will tell whether Al or I receive any phone calls or letters. If any of you get (or make) a chance to speak about collecting wood, don't pass up the opportunity! It is a very rewarding experience and certainly is another way to promote our hobby.

The Stratford, Ont. show that was held at the Community Centre there last month was a most enjoyable trip for your editor and missus. After we closed down Gilbert & Sullivan's "Mikado" on Friday night at the Avon Theater, we bunked at the Victorian Inn on the Park. At the coin show on Saturday, we met at least fifteen woodies and had a great session. Stratford, as most of you members in the Ontario know, is a beautiful little city located about 30 miles west of Kitchener-Waterloo, and is built along the Avon River. The main attraction there are the many theatres, including the Festival Theatre, which feature Shakespearean plays and other classics.

The Stratford Coin Club wood issued at the show is done in a striking new type of colour, (or should I say *colours*?). It is difficult to describe because of the colour variations. Perhaps it might best be called "rainbow". Made by Canada Wide Woods, it shows their progressive desire to produce a top quality product. It is shown below, along with some others that your editor picked up at the show.



Thil Mehl, president of the D.W.M.C., issued a wood marking the club's 17th annual meeting at the A.N.A. in July of this year. This wood is unusual in that it is so thin, (.008"). That is eight thousandths of an inch thick, about twice the thickness of ordinary writing paper. One advantage with a wood that thick (or thin), it is bendable enough to have a better than average chance of survival in the mails.





A wood from the I.O.W.M.C. issued by president Ted Wolverton was also acquired at the A.N.A.. It is shown full size at left.

With a letter received from member John Maclean of Dartmouth, NS, last month, were enclosed a number of interesting woods. He writes, in part:

"I am enclosing one of the woods which was issued at the APNA Convention by Marc Gilman, the incoming President of the Atlantic Provinces Wooden Money Association. As indicated on the item, the wood commemorates the signing of the fixed link deal between Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick, which of course has been a topic of very heated conversations amongst Prince Edward Islanders as well as Maritimers in general. At any rate, hope you like it, and for your records, Marc Gilman can be reached at RR #9, Winsloe, PEI, C1E 1Z3."

This wood is shown below, along with some of the other woods John sent.

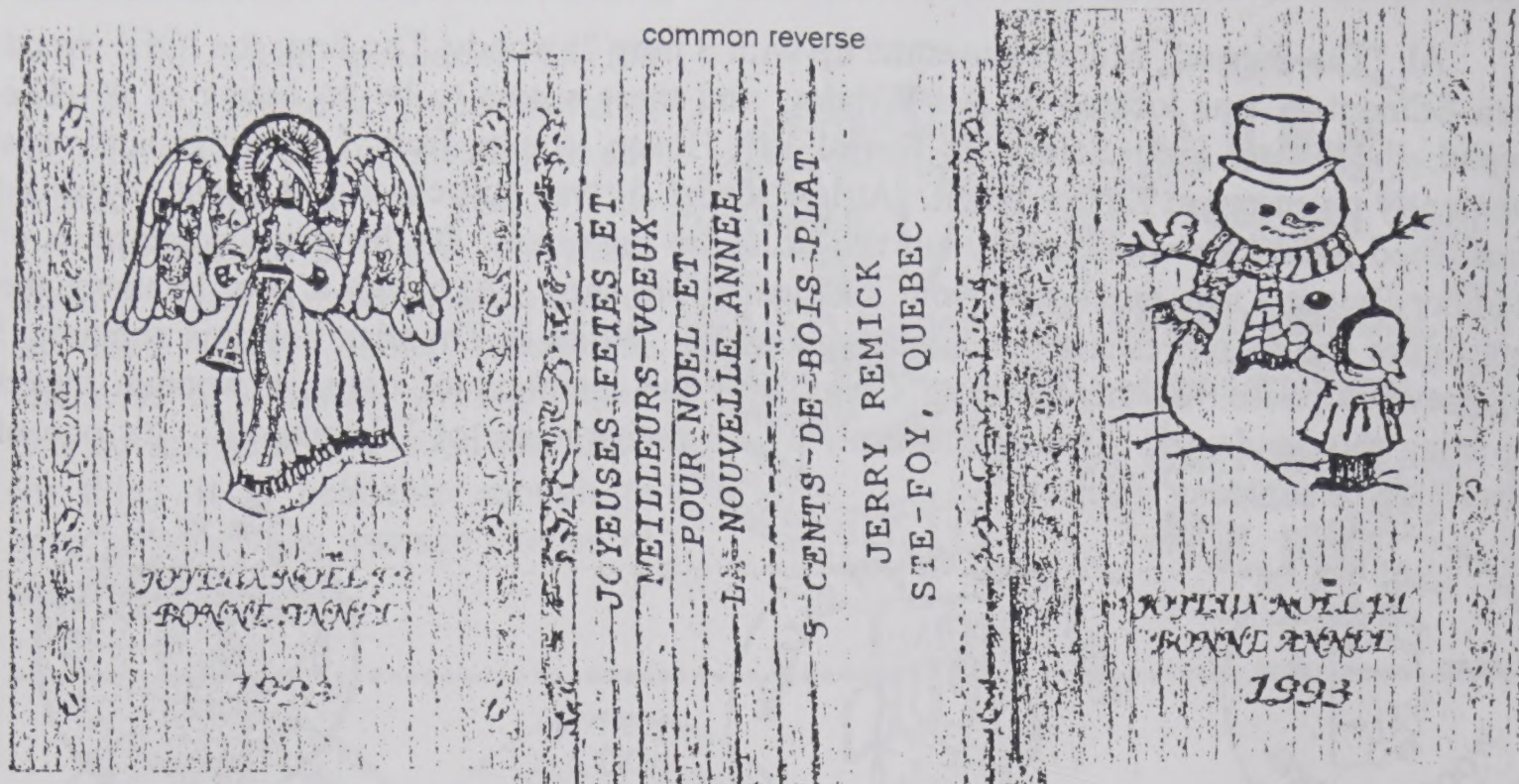


Al, "The Digger", Munro has come up with 3 new(?) woods. The first, the IOOF wood from Edmonton, was located by Alf Wrigley, and there seems to be no listing of it. The second, the Flying Spur Saloon & Corral Rib House, comes from Lethbridge and was apparently given out at Ladies Night. At last report Al was still chasing it down. And the third wood is the one which really cut this editor to the quick. It's from my home town of Thunder Bay and was purchased from a Calgary coin shop. Although a poor likeness, the long figure shown represents the "Sleeping Giant". While in Thunder Bay this summer, I took several photos of the Sleeping Giant with the intention of doing a wooden nickel depicting this landmark. It is also known by it's native name of "Nanabijou". It's one of those "maybe someday" projects.



Saturday, December 4th will be Shilling Day in New Lyme, Ohio. Visitors to Manners Pine Tree Lodge will receive the 26 year Pine Tree Shilling. Shillings have been issued over the years to commemorate highlights in the Manners family and special events at the Christmas tree farm. The 1993 shilling was issued to commemorate the annual summer meeting of the Ohio Christmas Tree Association which was hosted by Charlie Manners and his daughter Ruth Ann Taylor on July 23 and 24. The shilling is free for a S.A.S.E. from Manners Pine Tree Lodge, 780 Dodgeville Road, Jefferson, OH 44047.

common reverse



The above woods were issued by Jerry Remick, are cherry wood, 2.5" x 3.5" with all the text in French, hot stamped in foil colours. One wood shows an angel and the other a snowman. Available at \$1.00 postpaid for the set of two, write Jerry at Box 9183, Ste. Foy, Quebec, Canada, G1V 4B1.

Editor's note: Regrettably, I had to delete Jerry's statement in his above information that this is the first year for cherry wood flats. It must have slipped his mind that I made and issued a Christmas flat of cherry wood 5 years ago!

Other Christmas woods that have thus far crossed my desk are shown below.

